

## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Venegas, Jr.

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For: INTEGRAL POST SLEEVE AND SIGN

## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2001, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace current claim 1 with the following:

1. (Amended) A combined stanchion cover and signage system, comprising:

an elongated sleeve having a closed top and an open bottom defining a length, enabling the sleeve to be placed over a post or/stanchioh to be covered; and

a message-bearing panel integrally formed with the sleeve and extending above the closed end

thereof, the panel having a height which is substantially less than the length of the sleeve.

Please replace current claim 5 with the following:

5. (Amended) The combined stanchion cover and signage system of claim 2, wherein the sleeve has an inner diameter in the tange of 2 to 8 inches.